1	2	3
4.	Trans. scheme to evacuate power from Krishnapatnam TPS complex (4×250MW)	OECF, Japan
5.	Priyadarsini Jurala Hydro Electric Project (6×36.9MW)	OECF, Japan
6.	Integrated System Improvement Project for Distribution	OECF, Japan
7.	A.P. Power Sector Restructuring Project (Outlay for Transmission)	World Bank
8.	Distribution scheme project for improvent of distribution system in A.P. State	World Bank
9.	Improved Metering in AP System	French Mixed Credit
10.	Improved Metering and Reactive Compensation in AP System	Swedish Mixed Credit
11.	Providing Electronic Meters for Agricultural Services and 11 KV 2 MBAR Capacitors	Danish Mixed Credit

(b) Each loan is governed by specific covenants and the project authorities are expected to abide by them. The covenants include financial and physical parameters.

Enhancement of Power in North-East Region

270. SHRI DRUPAD BORGOHAIN: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by Government to enhance power generation in North-East during the last three years;

(b) whether there is any project to be commissioned this year;

(c) what amount of power to totality can be generated in the near future; and

(d) what is the position of Amguri Project in Assam?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.R. KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) To enhance power in North-Eastern Region, during the last three years, following steps were taken:

(i) Tuirial H.E. Project (2×30 MW), Mizoram was sanctioned in July, 1998 for implementation by NEEPCO.

(ii) Doyang HE Project (3×25 MW), Nagaland & Ranganadi (3×135 MW), Arunachal Pradesh are being executed by NEEPCO.

(iii) Kopilli Extension (2×50 MW), Assam was successfully comissioned.

(iv) Nuranang (3×2 MW), HE project, Arunachal Pradesh—all the three Units were rotated on 9.8.1997.

(b) This years, by March, 1999, Unit-I of Doyang H.E. Project (3×25 MW), Nagaland is likely to be spun.

(c) In the near future the following projects of total installed capacity 625 MW as per the details given below, are programmed to be commissioned:

	Name of the project State/capacity	Latest comissioning schedule
1.	Karbi Langpi Assam/2×50 MW	2001-2002
2.	Dhansiri Assam/5×3×1.33 MW	2001-2002
3.	Likim-Ro Nagaland/5×8 MW	2000-2001
4.	Ranganadi Arunachal Pradesh/ 3×135 MW	2000—2001
5.	Doyang Nagaland/3×25 MW	1998—2000

(d) Gas-Based CCGT at Amguri (Distt. Sibsagar)

The project sanctioned in State Sector was posed for execution in Private Setor. However, as informed by ASEB, it is likely to be executed by NTPC in central sector. Subsequently in a meeting held in C.E.A., it was informed by NTPC that the supply of gas for the above project is presently not available. The final decision regarding executing agency is yet to be taken.

New Power Policy

271. SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN:
SHRI GAYA SINGH:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have announced the Mega Power Projects policy which stipulates that cities with population of more than one million will receive power from power Trading Corporation (PTC) only if their distribution is privatised; and

(b) if so, the salient features of the new power policy announced?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.R. KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) and (b) Government has recently recast the policy on development of mega power projects. According to the revised policy, certain project sites, both in the Public as well of Private sector have been identified for setting up such mega projects which would cater to the power needs of more than one state. The Standing Independent Group constituted by the Government would initially be the apex body to oversee the implementation of the mega private power projects. The principles of competitive bidding would be adhered to as far as possible, while obtaining tariff offers for private sector mega projects.

The policy also provides for setting up of a Power Trading Company. (PTC), which would purchase power from the identified private projects and sell it to the identified State Electricity Boards, PTC may also, if feasible, supply power directly to a 'cluster', like licensees and industrial establishments. One of the conditions is that the beneficiary states would have to privatise distribution in the cities having a population of more than one million.

Shortfall in Hydro Power Generation

272. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the share of Hydro Power is continuously falling;

(b) if so, the reasons for the shortfall of the hydro power; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to increase the hydro power production?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.R. KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) Yes, Sir. The share of hydro power in the total installed capacity of the country rose upto 50.62% in 1963 and thereafter experienced a steady decline and accounts for only 24.8% of the total installed capacity as on 31.3.1998.